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: ATTENTION: PCT BRANCH LEGAL STAFF

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SIR:

Applicants hereby petition the U.S. PCT Elected Office for entry of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report.

Applicants received a Notification of Acceptance of Application Under 35 U.S.C. 371 and 37 C.F.R. 1.494 or 1.495 dated October 25, 2000, which indicates that the translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report have not been entered. Further, no reason has been provided on the notice as to why the translation of the annexes was not entered.

Applicants believe that the translation of the annexes should be entered due to the fact that they were timely filed on September 20, 2000 (30 months from the earliest priority date) as required by 37 CFR 1.495(e) and the pages of the translation of the annexes are exact replacement pages for the pages of the English translation of the application as set forth in MPEP 1893.01(b)(2).

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The PCT Office is hereby earnestly solicited to reconsider the entry of the annexes, or explain why the annexes have not been entered.

Respectfully submitted,

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